

# ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE AND VIRGINIA ADVERTISER.



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## Congressional Convention.

The Conservative Congressional Convention for this, the Eighth District of Virginia, will meet at Sarepta Hall, in this city, on Wednesday next, at 12 o'clock.

Rev. John H. Glendon, of Jersey City, the alleged seducer of Miss Mary E. Pomeroy, has made a formal request to the Presbytery of Jersey City for an investigation of the grave charges against him. The Clerk of the Presbytery replies that the next stated meeting will be held in October, when the subject will be considered. In the meantime public indignation against him has increased to such a degree that vigilance committees are looking for him, and he has fled to escape falling into their hands. The death of the unfortunate girl and her dying protestations, convinced the public of his guilt, although other proofs are being discovered. It has been found that he visited New York and engaged rooms at a lying-in hospital for a lady, whom he said was in trouble, and who could have been none other but Miss Pomeroy. The child is not expected to live.

Two parties have gone to Europe in the interest of the Treasury Department, carrying some millions of dollars of the new five per cent bonds, on account of the recent loan. It is the present purpose of the Secretary to call in thirty millions of the five-twenty six per cent bonds on the first of next month, but before doing so he may consult the convenience of the takers of the loan and the condition of the market.

A number of St. Louis gentlemen have been for some years agitating for the removal of the capital. They want it at St. Louis, which city, they contend, is the true center of the Republic, geographically, financially, commercially, and intellectually. They issue a call for a convention to be held at Louisville in October, for the discussion of their proposal.

The Richmond correspondent of the Petersburg Index-Appeal says: "The friends of John Ambler Smith are quietly at work, apparently with the hope that he may be nominated if brought before the Republican Convention, as a compromise man between the Burgess and the Chandler men. But I seldom hear of Chandler now as a candidate."

The steamer South America, which leaves New York to-day, will convey several officers ordered to the United States steamer Monongahela, which has been detailed by the Navy Department to proceed from Rio Janeiro to Kerguelan and Crozet Islands, to pick up the parties stationed at those islands to observe the transit of Venus.

The Washington Chronicle warns people not to rush for the Black hills too soon, even if the shining particles of gold are to be found in such immense quantities as has been reported, and that here and there is found a beautiful valley, "knee-deep in flowers." Something else is wanted besides minerals and flowers.

The Russian Government has refused to recognize the Spanish Republic. It is in consequence of this that the other Powers delay the complete recognition, but it is reported that the Governments of Austria and Germany have sent credentials to their representatives at Madrid.

A Brazilian iron-clad has bombarded the town of Alvear, in the Province of Corrientes, on account of alleged ill-treatment of its officers, which the authorities would neither explain nor punish. It was feared that the affair would lead to war between Brazil and the Argentine Republic.

Acting Postmaster General Marshall having left Washington for a few days, the President has designated second assistant J. L. Rount as Postmaster General ad interim. Postmaster General Jewell is expected to assume control of the department to-morrow.

Reports from the Treasury Department represent that the receipts from customs and internal revenue are more satisfactory than was expected at this season, though not so large as they were during the corresponding period of last year.

Paul Lessaier, Cashier for Joseph Hernandez, of New Orleans, has defaulted to the amount of \$32,000, and Joseph Lessaier, Cashier of the Citizens' bank, has embezzled \$40,000.

It is asserted that at the next session of Congress a strong pressure will be brought by the moneyed interests of the East for the entire repeal of the Legal tender act.

At Lima, Peru, they recently had a six day celebration of the national independence, and signalized the occasion by granting amnesty to all political offenders.

The story of the German acquisition of Porto Rico meets with an indignant denial from the Spanish Government.

Heavy rains fell in Chili during the month of July, doing great damage to railroads and telegraph. The town of Yllave was inundated.

The National Bank of Ecuador has resumed specie payment.

G. W. NORRIS, of Salem, Fauquier county, is dead. A better man never lived. He was eminently useful as well as good. No word of reproach ever escaped his lips, and no one ever cast reproach upon his name. We never knew a better or purer man. May the turf rest lightly upon his honored dust.—*War. Index.*

## NEWS OF THE DAY

### "To show the very age and body of the Time"

Reports from the Indian agencies still convey a surance of the peaceable inclination of the Indians and their gathering about the agencies. The Indian Commission have fixed upon the mouth of the Big White Clay river as the new location of Spotted Tail agency, about twenty miles from the present site. It is not thought that Spotted Tail will move, except by compulsion. Reports from Texas are not so encouraging. The Osage tribe of Indians have at a general council declared war against the State, and depredations have already been begun.

A young married woman named Mary Smith, from Frederick, Maryland, harmless and friendly, was walked through the streets of Baltimore on Friday night with the pains of labor upon her, and at last gave birth to a child upon the pavement unattended by friends or physician. The officers of the Middle District, however, as soon as cognizant of her condition summoned a physician to her aid, and she was tenderly cared for and nursed at the Station House until able to be removed to the Washington University Hospital.

On Saturday last, G. W. Claypoole, in charge of the newspaper delivery of the Baltimore Postoffice, was arrested on the charge of robbing the mail. On searching him there was found upon him several packages of jewelry which had been received in the New York mail on Saturday, a number of valuable letters and a number of pawn tickets, running back to 1873, for articles taken from the mails. He confessed his guilt and was committed for a hearing on Wednesday next.

A prisoner, named James Freeman, made a bold escape from a Philadelphia court on Saturday. He was brought into court on charge of a diamond robbery, and while the officer guarding him was a little distance off getting him a glass of water, he sprang out of the dock, and jumping from a second-story window began a desperate race for safety. Notwithstanding that it occurred in broad daylight and in a crowded thoroughfare, he made his escape.

The action of the different railroad lines in abolishing the sale of tickets by commission, has called for retaliatory measures, and on Saturday in New York a meeting of the Association of Railway and Steamship Ticket Agents was held, at which it was resolved to exclude from the ticket offices in the New York hotels advertisements of every description belonging to the railroads withdrawing their agencies.

On Saturday morning last a colored man, named Aquilla Howard, and a colored woman, named Wintie Wye, were killed by the Niagara express train, on the northern Central Railroad, near Moncton. They stepped from one train to another to get out of the way of a coal train, and not noticing the approach of the express, were struck by the engine and instantly killed.

Gov. Osborne, of Kansas, has called upon the Secretary of War to furnish his State at once with 2,000 carbines and 100,000 cartridges, the Osage Tribe of Indians having, at a general council, declared war against Kansas. The frontier settlements are greatly excited.

A special correspondent with Custer's expedition gives a highly favorable account of the mineral riches of the country explored. Gold and silver was found in several places in quantities, and game is in great abundance.

In Brookhaven, Missa, on Saturday afternoon, three negroes who had been arrested on a charge of outraging the person of a white woman, were taken from jail by a mob and hanged. They confessed their guilt.

The shore-end of the United States direct cable has been laid at Cahirciveen, near Valentia. The steamship Faraday, which is to lay the deep-sea section, went to Cahirciveen on Saturday.

Leo De Urgel has been surrendered to the British, through, it is said, the treachery of parties within the city. General Tustany captured the entire garrison of 485 men, with 32 guns, and shot the commandant of the citadel.

The agent of Governor Baxter accuses United States Senator Clayton, Judge McClure, and Sheriff Oliver, of Little Rock, of being parties to the attempt upon his life on a Jersey City ferryboat.

President MacMahon met with a strong Republican demonstration at Marlaix. During his reception, there were tumultuous shouts of "Vive la Republique."

Prof. Joseph Winick has accepted the appointment of Chairman of the Committee to Conduct Experiments with Steam Boilers, with a view to ascertain the cause of explosion.

A dispatch from Memphis says: Since Thursday morning two and a half inches of rain have fallen, but too late for any material advantage to the crops.

The steamer Tagus, on her next trip to England will take out ten locomotives for the Russian Government, and nine hundred stand of arms for the Turkish Government.

Albert Havemeyer, a brother of the Mayor of New York, and a well known sugar merchant, died on Saturday.

The first receipt of the new crop of Sea Island cotton, arrived at Charleston on Saturday from Florida, consisting of two bags.

Charles G. Sisson, one of the wealthiest capitalists of New Jersey, died at Tenafly, Friday evening.

The Spanish Government has taken measures to prevent a reported filibustering expedition against Porto Rico.

LOUDOUN COUNTY ITEMS.—[From the Leesburg Washingtonian.]—The drought still continues in this county. The time for the corn having passed, the great solicitude of our farmers now is for their fall pastures, by which the cattle and other stock are to be sustained until the time for winter feeding. It is a matter of serious consideration with many of them.

The Courthouse square was lighted up on Monday night for the first time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. Four new lamps, manufactured at Capt. Head's establishment, were placed in position. They gave the square a decidedly city appearance.

The order of Good Samaritans, of Washington, D. C., composed of colored people, visited Leesburg on Monday last, accompanied by a most excellent band of music. They made a good appearance, and seemed to enjoy the visit to their Leesburg brethren.

Mr. Thomas Williamson was on Thursday last elected principal of the Leesburg Academy for the ensuing year. Mr. W. is an estimable gentleman, and an experienced and competent teacher. He will be welcomed, by his old friends, back to Leesburg again.

Mr. W. B. Carr resigned his position as a member of the Leesburg Town Council on Friday last, and Capt. J. W. Foster was elected to fill the vacancy.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—The association of the Old School Baptist churches, which took place near Broad Run on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week, was largely attended by people from the surrounding country. On the last day of the meeting, and after most of the worshippers had left, a row occurred not far from the ground between some whites and blacks, in which pistols and stones were pretty freely used on the part of the whites, who put their colored opponents to flight.—*Manassas Gazette.*

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mrs. Adeline Burrows, the wife of Rev. Dr. J. L. Burrows, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Richmond, died Saturday morning after a lingering illness. She was the daughter of Benjamin Van Benthuisen, of Albany, N. Y., a family directly descended from the early Holland settlers of that section. For twenty years she has been a resident of Richmond where she was highly esteemed.

A protracted meeting under the auspices of the M. E. Church South, Rev. Mr. Strickler, presiding, has been doing on in the Misses Hammett's woods, near Manassas, for several days past in which considerable interest has been manifested.

There will be a trot of one mile to harness, over the Manassas race course on Saturday the 29th of August, between Edgar Brenton's dan horse, and James Goodwin's bay horse "John Williams," for a purse of \$50.

Hutchison who was reported to be mysteriously missing from his home near Sudley Mills, in Prince William county, turned up in Washington.

Nancy Grayson, colored, died at the residence of Mr. Wm. Bootright, in Fauquier county, on the 20th instant at the advanced age of 106 years.

The United States revenue collections in the Richmond district, for the past week, were \$93,656. The collections for the month, amount to \$390,000.

The Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad Company paid into the State treasury on Saturday \$15,353.67 on account of taxes.

Governor Kemper has gone to Madison county where he will remain a week.

## Fighting in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 22.—A special to the Daily Commercial from Lancaster, Garrard county, Ky., dated 9 p. m., says: We are having a terrible war between whites and blacks. Fighting has been going on at intervals since Wednesday. Friday the negroes shot Fred Yeakey. This so exasperated the whites that they took possession of the town this morning, and firing has been going on since. The negroes are fortified in the residence of Hon. Wm. Sellers. It is thought two of them were killed this evening and several wounded.

The whites set fire to the outhouse near Sellers, for the purpose of burning the blacks out. The whites have the negroes surrounded. United States troops marched into town to quell the riot and were fired on by both parties. The fire was returned. Several wounded on both sides. Later, Sellers' building was burned. The Commercial says this trouble is not between the whites and blacks, but among the friends of Sellers and Kennedy, both white, which has been brewing since, and which had its origin in the recent election.

The first named is a Republican and the latter a Democrat, and the connection of the blacks in the affair is purely from their friendship for the contesting parties. The citizens, irrespective of party, held a meeting Thursday, and appointed a committee to wait on the principals, and to endeavor to settle their misunderstanding otherwise than by arms. Three companies of militia have left here for the scene of trouble.

DANVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—The situation at Lancaster, up to a late hour this evening, was as follows: The friends of the Court House and Mason & Sander's Hotel, situated on the road leading to Stanford. Sellers' forces are located on his premises, just down the hill on the Lexington Pike, and a short distance from the public square. The third party, whose mission is to preserve or restore peace, occupy a corner building on the public square, between the two parties and on the road to Lexington. There has been no shooting since my last report. The Circuit Court has not adjourned. Keakey, who was shot, was the brother-in-law of Kennedy. A contested election case between Kennedy and Faulkner for the office of Circuit Court clerk was set for to-day, but was not tried. Business places in the town are closed, and people in expectation of further trouble.

DANVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—More shooting at Lancaster. The negroes near Sellers' premises fired on a party of whites in Brown's building, on the corner above spoken of. The fire was returned, and the skirmishing between the parties kept up till the time the messenger left. Two negroes were shot and supposed killed. No other casualties are known.

## The Beecher-Tilton Scandal.

The papers, to-day, are again filled with further "details" of the Beecher-Tilton scandal. Moulton's statement continued, opinions of the press, &c., &c., appended to which is "the story of an adopted child," about Tilton's treatment of his wife, how he maltreated her, that she is an innocent woman, &c., and his improper conduct towards herself. The statement of Moulton does not seem to have had the effect that Tilton's friends supposed it would, the only suggestion offered being Moulton's uncorroborated statement that both Beecher and Mrs. Tilton had to him personally admitted their guilt. The New York Herald says the forthcoming report of the Beecher Investigating Committee is divided into two parts—one a mere review of the evidence and the other giving the conclusions of the committee, which is that Henry Ward Beecher is not guilty of the charges preferred against him. In consequence of the absence of half of the committee no meeting will be held until Wednesday. In the meantime Mr. Beecher, who is at the Twin Mountain House, New Hampshire, is receiving "orations." We are told that "the scene of his first appearance on the piazza after arriving was one seldom witnessed. Everybody there—men, women, and children—crowded around him, grasped him by the hand, and showed him, by the enthusiasm they manifested in their silent greeting of him, the sympathy they felt, and the admiration they cared not to dissemble." On Sunday the stages were loaded with visitors from all the hotels and towns in the vicinity, aggregating about twelve hundred. A pulpit was temporarily erected in the parlor, and the usual service was held. The text was taken from Timothy, 2d chapter, part of the 19th verse: "Nevertheless, the foundation of God standeth sure; having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are His." The sermon lasted one hour and a quarter, and was a general one, making no allusion whatever to the scandal.

NARROW ESCAPE.—A colored man named George Stafford, who had been employed by Mr. J. J. Cockrell to complete an unfinished well on his farm, near this town, made a narrow escape from death on Wednesday morning last. Without using any precautionary measures first, he descended into the well and commenced work, which he continued for about three-quarters of an hour, when Mr. C. E. Branner, upon approaching the well and hearing no sounds of work, called to Stafford, who answered in a low voice to "please lower the ladder," which was immediately done. Stafford proceeded to ascend the ladder, but had gotten but a few feet when, overpowered by the foul air, he fell back. Being asked again by Mr. C. E. Branner if he could ascend the ladder, he replied in the affirmative, and made a second attempt to come to the surface, and had gotten about ten feet when he fell back apparently senseless. A man was at once sent down, and attaching a rope to his body, he was safely rescued from a perilous position, but with several bruises.—*Manassas Gazette.*

Rev. Frederick Bell, a reformed pugilist from England, addressed the camp meeting at Slag Sink on Saturday.

## The Mosby-Payne Difficulty.

COL. MOSBY INTERVIEWED.

A reporter of the Washington Chronicle on Saturday called upon Col. Mosby in Washington and gives the following as the result of his interview:

"Colonel" said we, "what is the state of the case now?" "Seemingly to comprehend it in a moment he said:

"You see there were two Conservative parties in that district, and I having espoused the cause of Barbour against Hinton, I was denounced by all of Hinton's friends, they placing at my door the time the third term principle. Whether I was in favor of it or not, they seemed to use it as an objectionable point for Barbour against Hinton, and finally the contest became so bitter, after I had beaten Hinton in his own district in the nominating convention, they launched it at me."

"I cared not for it. Without regard to the third term principle at all I favored Barbour, and for that reason the wrath of Hinton's friends, among whom Captain A. D. Payne, of Fauquier county, was one, resulted in charges by them against me of duplicity and deceit. I could stand no longer, and at once I took the train from Warrenton to the Junction. Arriving there, I sent a challenge by my friend, James Barbour back to Warrenton to Mr. Payne, I, in the meanwhile, availing myself of the best opportunities to reach the neighborhood of the district without arrest. It will be never ought at all that both of us being residents of Fauquier county, Va., would settle our personal difficulties there, but would seek the borders of Maryland, so as to avoid the penalties of the anti-dueing act. Arriving at Alexandria, I learned that Mr. John S. Barbour, President of the Orange road, who took me in his carriage to his house on Capitol Hill in this city."

"Expecting a meeting next morning I Prince George's county, Md., opposite Alexandria, I declined to retire. With a desire also not of pleasing my friend and the premises, I walked toward the Capitol, and after sunsetting for some time on the eastern portico, I went toward the Congressional Hotel. While there, conversing with friends, I was taken in custody by the detectives of the District, the result of which is well known to the readers of the daily papers."

"Were you still bent on fight?" said we. "Yes, sir, and I will have it out yet. Although I am under bonds for delivery to the Governor of Virginia, Mr. Payne will have no opportunity. It can afford it, to witness my personal courage."

"Then, Colonel, there is nothing political in this thing; but they apparently want to put against you the charge of cowardice; in other words, that you would fight so-called behind a fence, and not in the open field, and now you propose to show them that you will meet them half way at any time?"

"Yes, sir; that seems to be their notion, and at that account I have been brought into this personal, and probably fatal, controversy."

"What were the arrangements concluded upon your challenge?"

"Why, sir, I received an answer of acceptance, with squirrel rifles at forty paces, to be on the ground at Buckland, nine miles from Warrenton, on Friday morning, at 11 o'clock. Hinton and I were to meet there. The trains had left, and the weapon selected by him, squirrel rifle, being so hard to obtain in this District or vicinity, gave virtually the acceptance of the challenge the cover of a sham."

"During that day, however, Friday, I procured from an acquaintance in the District the kind of rifle needed, and sent a friend with a note to Payne's friends, at Warrenton, asking them to postpone our meeting until 11 o'clock a. m. or 5 p. m. yesterday."

"My friend arriving at the ground found Payne there with seconds, surgeons and friends, and after exhibiting my request was informed that, the other principal not appearing, Mr. Payne was the victor."

"Well, but Colonel, how did you expect to get to Virginia, if you say all the trains were guarded so closely?"

"I did not expect to go by train or boat, sir. I had the offer of Mr. John S. Barbour's double team, with which we were to take the roads north of the city, and by crossing the upper Potomac above Georgetown, make our way to the Virginia ground."

"Colonel, what would have been your weapons had you have been challenged?"

"Pistols, sir, certainly, and advance one pace each time."

"You know, Colonel, that squirrel rifles never let, when they take hold?"

"Yes, but a shot from a lucky rifle is mere accident, the sights are so finely lined; but take those rifles with broad sights which the Louisiana Tigers fought with during the late war, then rifles are a sure thing. It matters not to me, however. The chances are equal."

"What do you think of this standing-up-and-get-shot-at-business?"

"I have had enough of it, and although a malicious slander has been started in this District that a Colonel Maxwell, of the Union army, had killed a man in the National Guard, about a year since, and that I walked off without repenting it, he facts in the case are that Colonel Maxwell and I, being in charge of opposing commands, there was at times a casualty, one of them being the killing by our forces of Colonel Maxwell's son. Little could, and little in one of the numerous conflicts of his command, I was shot through and through and left on the field for dead."

"Well, Colonel, then you think this affair is not settled yet?"

"No, sir, it will be some day, and, I hope, satisfactorily to all parties."

The Warrenton Index says: "The cause for the challenge is believed to be a reported exhibit or circulation by Capt. A. D. Payne of a paper from Mr. H. C. Bowen, certifying that Col. Mosby stated to him that he was a candidate for Congress and desired the election of certain delegates to the Convention to assemble in Alexandria on the 26th inst. If this credited cause be correct, we are unable to perceive why the affair does not admit of accommodation honorable to both principals. The meeting was to have taken place in Prince William county at 11 a. m. The weapons were to have been rifles. The arrest of Mosby in Washington by order of Judge Keith prevented him keeping the appointment. Payne got on ground the with difficulty. No thought is entertained of an indisposition on the part of either to fight. The affair has terminated more fortunately than was to have been expected."

## Fairfax Township Meetings.

Pursuant to notice the Conservative voters of Providence Township, Fairfax county, Va., assembled at Vienna, on Saturday, Aug. 22, to nominate delegates to represent the Township in the Congressional Convention at Alexandria, on the 26th, and also the County Convention to be held at Fairfax Court House on Monday, Sept. 21st.

Dr. Ira Williams, Township Superintendent, was in the chair, and G. H. Bluncoe, chosen Secretary.

On motion of T. Moore, esq., it was resolved that the meeting proceed to nominate three delegates to represent the Township in the Congressional Convention at Alexandria, and that the vote be taken by tellers.

Nominations having been made, the Chair announced the following vote: Thos. Moore 21, R. R. Farr 16, S. Simpson 3, J. O. Barry 26, Ira Williams 16, J. Magarity 23; whereupon, Messrs. Moore, Barry and Magarity having received the highest number of votes cast were declared delegates elect to said Convention.

On motion, it was resolved, that the Convention nominate six delegates to represent this Township in the County Convention to be held at Fairfax Court House on Monday Sept. 21, 1874, to nominate a County Treasurer.

Nominations having been made, and the vote taken, the Chair announced the following result: T. Moore 23, Geo. W. Gaines 23, Jerry Moore 33, D. P. Gannell 31, J. L. Follis 2, N. C. Hunter 7, W. S. Oliver 24, J. Magarity 23, Frank C. Burke 2.

Messrs. Williams, Gaines, Moore, Gannell, Oliver and Magarity, having received the highest number of votes cast were declared delegates to said Convention.

On motion, it was resolved, that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Fairfax

County News, and that the Alexandria papers be requested to copy the same.

IRA WILLIAMS, Township Superintendent.

G. H. BLUNCOE, Secretary.

VIENNA, VA., Aug. 22, 1874.—The call for a meeting here to-day of the Conservative voters of Providence Township, was responded to by about forty-two voters, when the following proceedings were had:

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Ira Williams, Township Superintendent, precisely at 10 o'clock p. m., and having stated the object, the organization was completed by the appointment of Geo. H. Bluncoe as Secretary.

Thos. Moore offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to nominate three delegates to represent the Township in the Congressional Convention, to meet in Alexandria, and that the vote be taken by tellers.

It was conceded that one delegate should be selected from the Court House, one from Vienna, and one from Langley neighborhood, and that the vote for each should be taken separately.

Thos. Moore, R. R. Farr and S. Simpson were put in nomination for the Court House and the District, and the vote being taken resulted: Moore 21, Farr 16, Simpson 3.

Capt. J. O. Barry and Dr. Ira Williams were put in nomination for the Vienna precinct, and on counting the vote it was found that Barry had received 26 and Williams 16.

Jonathan Magarity was elected from the Langley precinct, without opposition.

These are all avowed Hinton men. There were not more than three or four Barbour men, the opposition to Hinton being prompted by the hope that Judge Thomas might be brought before the Convention, and the personal friends of the opposition candidates, in some cases, voting without reference to choice of candidates.

The delegates to the County Convention are Thos. N. Williams, Geo. Gaines, J. Moore, D. Gannell, W. S. Oliver and Jonathan Magarity, all Broadwater men for Treasurer and Richardson for Clerk, who will have no opposition from the opposite party.

P. S. Hinton was made after the vote for the Court House delegates had been announced, and indeed after the vote for the Vienna delegate had been taken, to reconsider the vote by which Mr. Moore had been elected, and he waiving opposition, the resolution was voted down by about the same vote he was elected.

Pursuant to notice a number of persons assembled at Bayley's Cross Roads on Saturday, the 22d inst.

Dr. D. McChichester, County Superintendent, took the chair, and on calling the meeting to order, stated the object to be the election of two delegates to the Congressional Convention, which is to meet in Alexandria on the 26th, and also to elect delegates to the County Convention, which is to meet at Fairfax Court House, Monday, Sept. 21st, to nominate a candidate for County Clerk and Treasurer.

On motion, Mr. E. J. Lee was appointed Secretary.

On motion the meeting declared unanimously for Gen. Epaphras Hinton, and requested their delegates to vote for him.

On balloting for delegates: Dr. Cyrus McCormick and C. G. Lee, esq., were elected delegates to the Congressional Convention, and Messrs. D. G. Watkins and J. H. Watkins, alternates.

To the County Convention, Messrs. W. Bayley, A. Cox, and J. H. Watkins were elected delegates, and Messrs. J. Burch, B. Shreve and D. G. Watkins, alternates.

It was ordered that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Alexandria and Fairfax papers.

D. MCCICHESTER, Chairman.

E. J. LEE, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Conservatives of Mount Vernon Township, held at Pullman's School House on Saturday, the 22d inst., Peyton Balenger in the chair, and A. L. McKeezie, Secretary, J. O. Kerby was unanimously elected the delegate, and Chas. Pytzer, the alternate, to represent the Township in the Congressional Convention, to be held in Alexandria on the 26th inst., and Chas. Potter, J. O. Kirby and Charles Landstreet, delegates, and Robert Wiley, R. L. Norris and W. G. Moore, alternates, to represent the Township in the County Convention to meet on the 21st proximo.

Mr. Kirby was elected as a Hinton man.

At the meeting of Conservatives in Lee Township, Judge James Sangster and Mr. Bud Skinner were elected delegates to the Congressional Convention.

POTOMAC CITY.—Our new city is slowly growing. Several new houses have been erected on the avenue leading to the new wharf. Mr. King has erected a two story dwelling and store covered with tin and fitted with large plate glass windows. Mr. Frankenberg and Mr. Curtiss have also erected fine houses on the same avenue. Mr. Hoyt intends erecting this season a block of brick buildings, 150 feet front, 80 feet deep, and three stories high. One of the buildings in the block will be arranged for a bank, and has been engaged by parties from the North who contemplate establishing a bank next spring. There are two brick yards in full operation, employing about fifty hands. Mr. Hoyt who owns extensive lumber mills in Michigan is having a large shed built to protect from the weather dressed white pine lumber. After paying freight it affords a handsome profit, as is proved by the sales of the large quantity already brought here.—*Manassas Gazette.*

CAPTURE OF A SUPPOSED FUGITIVE.—Messrs. W. W. Kinchloe and Jos. B. Keck, of Brentsville, followed and took up a colored man at Woodbridge Station, in this county, on Wednesday last, supposed to be Joe Clarke, an escaped murderer from Pittsylvania county jail, for whose arrest \$100 reward has been offered. We visited the jail on Thursday and saw the advertised description of the murderer, if we doubt if the man captured is Joe Clarke, though he answers in part to the description. The man taken up says his name is Henry Johnson, and that he worked for Squire Dunn a portion of last year. The authorities in Pittsylvania have been informed of the capture.—*Manassas Gazette.*

DISEASE AMONG HORSES.—We learn from the Calvert (Md.) Journal that a singular disease has been prevailing to a considerable extent among the horses in the upper part of that county. The first indication of the disease is a swelling in the neck just under the jaw on each side—the swelling extending rapidly down the neck and throat to the chest. The disease does not appear to be of a very serious nature, as we have heard of but two deaths resulting from it.

WARRENTON CAMP.—Great preparations are being made on the grounds of the Warrenton White Sulphur Springs for the camp meeting which commences there on Wednesday the 26th of the present month. Over three hundred people are already on the ground and one circle of tents is up.—*Manassas Gazette.*

FERTILIZERS!